Bluegrass DEIC 9/28/06 Central Baptist Hospital Auditorium 11:30-1:30

Members/Designees Present: Beverly Durborow, PT, DEIC co-chair; Dixie Miller, VIPS, D.I.-recorder; Janice Newman, PSC; Dayna Lowe, POE; Linda Abner, SLP; Pamela Fox, RTC; Anna Kenion, CAC; Cindy Wilson, Healthy Start; Angie Stidham, MH-MR; Debra Peters, CCSHCN; Anne Ward, Parent; Donna Colliver, Family Resource Center; Marti Ginter, Public School; Martha Park, PSC; Members/Designees Not Present or Represented-Katherine McCormick- UK, Melanie Tyner-Wilson, Mrs. Moore (parent), Cherry Proctor, Linda Singler, Deloris Townsend-KEIS Provider, Dr. Scott Moore (medical services), Karen Ogle, Parent; Valerie Perry, Parent; Emily Dahlman, Community Based Services; Tal Curry, EC Mental Health; Heather Henry, Child Care Provider Staff Present: Kristi Lunceford, UK TA; Connie Coovert, UK TA.

Guests Present:, Cybil Cheek, LCTC; Laurie Whorton, PT.; Courtney Nuckols, SLP; Ashley Emmons, VIPS; Elisabeth Churchill, FCPS; Joan Graybeal, PT; Vanessa White, PSC; Jennifer Pingleton, Registered Dietician; Geri Cadle- Swigert and Associates; Shelby Rutledge, Lex Speech and Hearing; Cynthia Pendergrast, DI; Robin Carey, OT.

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Call to Order	Beverly Durborow, DEIC co Chair called the meeting	
	to order	
Introductions	Room wide introductions were made	Sign in Sheet Available in records binder
Approval of Minutes	Minutes from the 7/13/06 meeting were approved	Send minutes to Sarah Walker for posting on First Steps
		website with Bluegrass DEIC minutes.
Guest Speaker	Emily Keely with the Early Childhood Transition	
	Center at the University of Kentucky spoke to the	
	group about a national Transition study being done.	
	She is trying to recruit 33 families of children that will	
	have their third birthday by the end of October to	
	participate in this study that examines factors that	

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	promote successful transitions between early intervention, preschool and kindergarten for young children with disabilities. Emily had participation packets available and distributed them to those interested. Extra forms will be available through Kristi Lunceford if needed.	
Reports	POE: printed report available to all present. Angie Stidham discussed current numbers. PUBLIC AWARENESS-Connie Coovert -Met 9/6/06. UK Paid for a new display board to be used in outreach. Connie is visiting families and taking pictures to update the board. -Connie stated that CCR&R has a list of all child care centers in each county and their STAR rating, available to all interested. First Steps providers can distribute brochures about First Steps to the programs on this list, especially in counties where referral rates are low. TRANSITION-Marti Ginter Inter-agency Agreements between First Steps and KDE can be found on the www.transitiononestop.org website. Exploring the idea of a "meet and greet" between the Preschool Coordinators/Special Ed. Directors and First Steps PSC's. Marti will check with Preschool Directors for availability to do this after a regularly scheduled PSC Quarterly. TA Report-Kristi Lunceford -Kristi gave First Steps updates. To encourage provider participation and feedback, Central Office is putting a Question of the Month on the web site. -The Infant Toddler Institute was held in August.	

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	Robin McWilliam presented on Consultative Service	
	Delivery. He was very well received and Central	
	Office is looking into collaborating with him in the	
	future.	
	-First Steps has a new Training Coordinator, Lynn	
	Butler.	
	-All providers received a letter for Central Office	
	about the NPI, National Provider Identifier. Every	
	provider must apply for one. Log onto the web site	
	for more info. The use of these numbers goes into	
	effect May 2007.	
	-Part C coordinator, Meredith Brown has resigned. Our new Part C Coordinator is Kirsten Hammock,	
	formerly the Quality Assurance Coordinator for First	
	Steps	
	-Regulations for Part B IDEA can be reviewed at	
	http://idea.ed.gov	
	-Kentucky DEC (Division of Early Childhood) has	
	scholarship monies available for student memberships.	
	Go to http://www.dec-sped.org/kydec/ to obtain an	
	application. Deadline is Dec. 1, 2006.	
	National DEC has monies available for families to	
	attend the National DEC conference.	
	ICC information.	
	-A brief history of the ICC and its function was given	
	for new members. ICC meeting was held 9/14/06.	
	Recommendations for new ICC members are still	
	being accepted. ICC minutes are on the First Steps	
	website. The Bluegrass DEIC will be spotlighted at	
	the January 11, ICC meeting. The next ICC meeting	
	video-conference is November 9 at 10 a.m. in Dickey	

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Old Business New Business/Announcements	DISCUSSION Hall at the University of Kentucky. See TAT report A copy of the DEIC Membership was handed out. Roles were reviewed. Parents are needed. Contact Connie with recommendations. We will vote on new DEIC members at our next meeting. Anne Ward has offered her services as our new DEIC recorder.	ACTION
	-The First Steps "Family Orientation" is being transitioned into a DVD. Funds for duplication of DVD might require DEIC financial support. Connie will keep membership informed. -The Down Syndrome Association of Central Kentucky "Buddy Walk" will be held on September 30 at 10:00 a.m. First Steps will have an exhibit booth and Connie asked for volunteers to help. -Bluegrass Therapy Collaboration meeting will be October 26, 7-8:30 p.m. at Angie Folczyk's house. -Alyssa Laforme, Physical Therapist with Horn Richardson and Associates is involved in a Univ. of Ky. study that needs children with Down Syndrome, 2-3 years of age that are not walking. Please contact her at Horn Richardson for details. The next Bluegrass DEIC meeting will be November 30 at Central Baptist Hospital from 11:30-1:30 p.m.	

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